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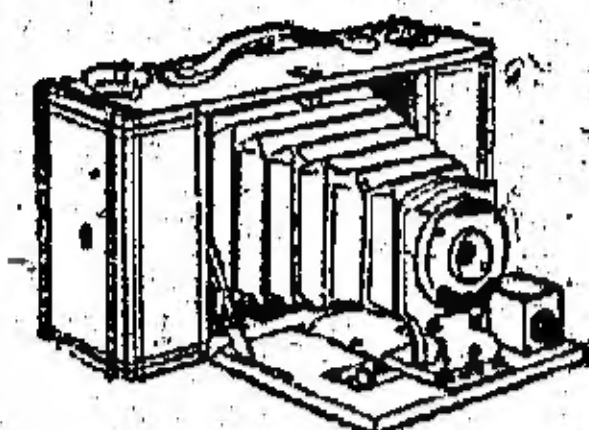


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MARRIAGES.

On February 22nd, at Bakewell, Derbyshire,
VIVIAN H. LANNING, of Shanghai, to HILDA
FLORENCE, only daughter of the late Capt.
Latham, A.S.C., and of Mrs. Long, Welford
House, Bakewell.

On February 28th, at Tenby, JOHN, only
son of the late Rev. Frederick HARRIS, Fellow
and Tutor of Christ's College, Cambridge, and
Rector of Nantwich, Lancs., to BRIGIDA, fourth
daughter of the late Rev. HENRY MORRIS,
Rector of Withall, Lincs.

DEATHS.

At 15, Knutsford Terrace, Kowloon, at 8 p.m.
on 27th inst. DARFNE ELIZABETH GREEN, aged
8 years. Funeral at 5 p.m. to-day at Happy
Valley. Shanghai papers please copy.

On February 24th, at Renfrew, Scotland, of
double pneumonia, ARTHUR EDWARD SEABORN, late
of Shanghai and Hankow.

On March 21st, at Shanghai, suddenly,
WILLIAM, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. JAMES
DOUGLAS, Renfrew, Scotland, aged 28 years.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MARCH 28th, 1911.

When trade becomes seriously restricted in
China by an acute diplomatic dispute such
as that which has been waged for the past
two months between Russia and Japan, it
argues a belief in the possibility of war,
notwithstanding the fact that in the highest
military circles in China, as well as among
foreign expert observers generally, it is
recognised that China is hopelessly unpre-
pared for war with a Power like Russia.
Though China sent a conciliatory Note in
reply to the Russian demands when they
were first formulated five weeks ago in the
form of an ultimatum, and though Russia
expressed herself as satisfied with that reply

except on two points which, it was expected,
would be promptly settled by negotiation,
the situation remains as acute as it has
ever been and Russia has felt impelled to
demand acquiescence in her demands within
the short period of three days. The Chinese
Government, our Peking correspondent in-
formed us on Sunday, had been astounded
by the ultimatum which brings the two
countries to the very brink of war. After
protracted conferences the Waiwu has in-
formed the Russian Minister that the
Chinese Government would reply acquiescing
in the whole of Russia's demands. That
the reply was not at once made leaves
the situation uncertain to the last hour.
China, no doubt, hopes to gain something
by this procrastination. Doubtless the ob-
ject of the early intimation to the Russian
Minister was to stop the mobilisation of
Russian troops on the frontier, while the
actual wording of the Reply may be con-
tingent upon the answers received to in-
quiries which have doubtless been sent to the
Capitals of all Foreign Powers interested in
the preservation of the integrity of the
Chinese Empire. In China's Reply to
Russia's previous ultimatum—if we may
use the phrase—the two points which Russia
regarded as only "conditionally satisfactory"
were points which the Chief of the Pa-
Eastern Section of the Russian Foreign
Office said, in a communication to the Press
of St. Petersburg, could be promptly settled
by negotiation "without resort to any form
of pressure." Events, however, have falsified
the prediction. China's Note failed in the
first place to give complete satisfaction as
to the appointment of the three new Con-
suls, and the commercial privileges of
Russian merchants in Mongolia. The
Chinese made the Consular appointments in
Mongolia dependent upon increase of trade
and the imposition of higher tariffs. The
Russian Government recognizes the admi-
nistrative rights of Russia in Mongolia, but
insists upon immediate compliance with the
Treaty rights of Russian traders in
Mongolia, but has evaded an explicit re-
sponse with regard to the restrictions
placed upon them under the Chinese inter-
pretation of the Treaty of 1881. If China
chooses to refuse to implement her Treaty
pledges she can look for no sympathy from
other Powers while, if, on the other hand,
there is room for a reasonable difference
of opinion in the interpretation of the
Treaty, a concert of Powers interested in
the preservation of peace would doubtless
bring pressure on both disputants to sub-
mit the points at issue to the arbitrament
of The Hague Tribunal. There appears
no justification, so far as China is con-
cerned, for going to war, and as a belligerent
attitude on her part can in the circum-
stances command no sympathy among the
Powers in friendly relation with her, we
feel confident that peace will be pre-
served.

Mr. H. De Gray has been unanimously elected
Chairman of the Municipal Council at Shanghai,
and Mr. A. W. Burkill vice-Chairman.

Entries close to-day at 6 p.m. for the
Athletic Sports which take place on Saturday,
the 8th inst., on the Hongkong Football
Club's Ground.

Mr. Y. Kikuchi has been appointed a member
of the Kulanau (Amoy) Municipal Council
in place of Mr. Tsuchizubara, who has left the
port.

Ser. cant Pardon of the Hongkong Police has
been appointed to relieve Sergeant Taylor at the
Registrar-General's office, and the latter has
been transferred to the Sanitary Department.

Private McCarthy of the K.O.Y.L.I. was sen-
tenced to one month's imprisonment by Mr. E.
R. Hallifax at the Magistracy yesterday for
stealing a gold ring from a jeweller's shop in
Queen's Road East.

Three cases of enteric fever (two British and
one Swede, all imported), one case of diphtheria,
and ten cases of small-pox occurred in the Colony
during last week. Of the small-pox six cases
proved fatal.

We learn that booking for the Bandmann
performances commenced yesterday as soon as
Messrs. Montague & Co. opened their store, and
quite a large number of seats were booked
before ten o'clock.

Messrs. Montague & Co., F. J. Curtis, J. A.
Stooke, and Edward Tomalin, of Chetco, have
been granted His Majesty's Royal licence and
authority to accept and wear the decoration of
the Imperial Chinese Order of the Double
Dragon, fifth grade.

The Japan Gazette states that among the pas-
sengers by the P.M. steamer China is a Chinese
named Fung Guey, who is returning to Canton
from San Francisco, after having studied aero-
nautics in America. Fung Guey claims to be
the first Chinese to study aerial navigation.
He is said to have already built three planes,
two of which have been sent home, the last
being on the China. He intends to carry out
a flight at Hongkong shortly, and will visit
Japan in June or July next.

Eighteen Chinese passive resistors were ar-
rested at Volkst, close to the Natal frontier,
last month for entering the Transvaal. They
were condemned to pay a fine of £25, or to
undergo six months' imprisonment, and chose
the latter alternative.

While Detective-Sergeant Brown was on pa-
trol duty at Yaukai on Saturday he saw a Chi-
nese enter a pawnshop with a pair of silver bang-
les on which he wished to raise an advance. The
detective questioned the man, and, the result of
the inquiries being unsatisfactory, he arrested
him and charged him before Mr. J. R. Wood at
the Magistracy yesterday. Defendant failed to
satisfy the Court as to how he came in posses-
sion of the bangles, and was sentenced to seven
days' imprisonment.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial
and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge
with thanks the following donations to the funds
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F. P. Ta'ati, Esq.	\$10
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The profit realized by the China Mutual
Steam Navigation Company (Liverpool) for the
year ended December 31 was £154,809, and
£15,270 was brought forward. The directors
have written £78,105 off for depreciation and
placed £30,000 to reserve, and they recommend
a final dividend of 3 per cent., making 6 per
cent. for the year, together with a bonus of 12
per cent. on the £10 ordinary shares. It is
also proposed to pay a final dividend of 3 per
cent., making 6 per cent. on the ordinary "B"
shares, carrying forward £16,770.

CHAFFEUR CHARGED WITH
MANSLAUGHTER.

The trial of Angel Henriques, a Filipino
chauffeur, on a charge of manslaughter, was
concluded before Mr. Hallifax at the Magistracy
yesterday.

Mr. W. Clark deposed to being in the car
which collided with a coolie in Connaught Road
on the 20th instant. The accident happened
about 5.30 p.m. and the defendant was driving.
Witness hired the car, and it was proceeding
about seven or eight miles an hour. A number
of coolies were crossing the street about two
blocks off Jardine's wharf as the car ap-
proached. Defendant sounded his horn and all
got out of the way except one, who seemed to be
approaching the motor which ran into him. The
car stopped within eight feet. Witness got
down and thought of taking deceased to
hospital, but the Chinese gathered round and
prevented him from doing so. He was sitting
next defendant from his seat. Witness was
afraid to stay any longer on account of violence
and advised defendant to proceed.

His Worship—Did any of the other coolies
have to dodge the car?—No. Deceased seemed
to be blinded by the rain and ran into the car.
You did not see him early enough to avoid
the accident?—No.

The car was under control?—Yes. Defen-
dant was sounding the horn continuously.

Prisoner was discharged.

DISOBEDIENT SEAMEN.

Before Commander C. W. Beckwith, R.N.
at the Marine Magistrate's Court yesterday,
Mr. J. M. McHutchon, of Messrs.
Butterfield & Swire, charged twelve of the
Chinese crew of the steamer Pelus, for
willfully disobeying his lawful commands while
at Yokohama.

The ship's log, which was produced, had an
entry to the effect that the defendants
refused to work. At Yokohama they were
signed off the articles of the Pelus and
brought to Hongkong as deck passengers by
the s.s. Onca. There was an entry in the log
to the effect that this was done with the consent
of the British Consul at Yokohama, who per-
mitted that the Superintendent of Shipping at
Hongkong should deal with the matter.

Defendants stated that when transferred
from the Chung Wa to the Pelus they were not
told they had to work.

His Worship found nine of the defendants
guilty of refusing duty on the Pelus at Kobe,
and sentenced each to seven days' imprisonment
with hard labour. The other defendant, who
was boatwain, was found guilty of disobeying
the lawful commands of the Captain. His
Worship considered that the boatwain's bad
influence over the crew caused them to refuse
to obey the captain's commands, thereby
causing inconvenience to the ship. The de-
fendant would be imprisoned for fourteen days
with hard labour.

A LUKONG'S CAPTURE.

While patrolling Queen's Road East early on
Sunday morning a laking observed a Chinese
with a bundle under his arm. The man ap-
peared to the constable to be a suspicious character,
and when the latter approached to question him
the Chinese attempted to run away. The
laking pulled out his whistle to summon assist-
ance, but before he could blow it the man with
the bundle in attempting to relieve him of it,
broke the chain to which it was attached. A
struggle followed for possession, but the laking
managed to blow a blast, and the call was
answered by Inspector Kerr. When the suspect
was taken to the Wanchai Station his bundle
was found to contain 1,830 copper coins, 255
cash and a quantity of clothing. The man
eventually admitted having stolen this property
from 153, Queen's Road East, and on being
charged before Mr. Wood at the Magistracy
yesterday he was sentenced to three months' im-
prisonment with hard labour.

TELEGRAMS.

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RUSSIA AND CHINA.

PEKING GOVERNMENT ASTONISHED.

PEKING, March 27th.

China states that her reply to
Russia was in the most conciliatory
tone, and declares astonishment at the
sudden interruption of amicable ne-
gotiations.

She accepts the Russian principles
unequivocally, but states that if a pre-
text for forcible action was desired it
was possibly discoverable in the lengthy
note which attempted to justify her
former replies by proving that six
points had already been conceded.

A slight doubt exists, apparently,
as to whether Russia will consider
these voluble statements as harmless
and merely made with a view to
"saving face," or as a declaratory
continuation of polemics.

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THE RUSSIAN POLITICAL
CRISIS.

THE TSAR AS AUTOCRAT.

LONDON, March 27th.

A message from St. Petersburg
states that after issuing Ukases
countersigned by M. Stolypin, Pre-
sident of the Council of Ministers,
suspending the sittings of the Council
of Empire and the Duma till Tuesday,
the Tsar is availing himself of a para-
graph in the Constitution enabling
him to promulgate laws when the
Legislature is not sitting.

His Majesty has issued a Ukase
introducing local Councils in Poland,
the rejection of which measure on the
21st instant precipitated the crisis.

The Octobrists, though supporters
of the Bill are expected to resign in a
body, their objection being to the
dealing with reaction by such reac-
tionary means.

PRESIDENT OF THE DUMA
RESIGNS.

LONDON, March 26th.

It is reported from St. Petersburg
that M. Guthenkov, an Octobrist, has
resigned the presidency of the Duma.

ANTI-JAPANESE LEGISLATION
IN AMERICA.

LONDON, March 26th.

A message from President Taft to
the Governor of California has had
the effect of checking the progress of
anti-Japanese legislation promoted
with the object of prohibiting aliens
in that State.

MIKADO'S REPLY TO PRE-
SIDENT TAFT.

LONDON, March 26th.

A message from Washington states
that Mr. Uchida, the Japanese Am-
bassador, has delivered President Taft
a personal message from the Emperor
of Japan in which his Majesty declared
that he never placed any credence in
the false and wicked reports with
reference to Japan's designs in
Mexico.

THE AVIATION MEETING.

After many delays and many disappointments
the aviator, Mr. Van der Born, made two ascents
at Shatin yesterday morning. Unfortunately
there were not many visitors from Hongkong
to view the flying, but the Chinese who were in
the vicinity enjoyed the spectacle. The course
of the plane through the air was birdlike and
graceful, and the aviator proved that he had a
perfect command of his machine.

CORRESPONDENCE.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG
DAILY PRESS".]

SIR,—May I be allowed through your
columns to express a few thoughts which
may be helpful to the committee appointed
to investigate the affairs of the Green Island
Cement Company. In the first place, it seems
possible, as expressed at the meeting on Sat-
urday, to effect considerable retrenchment in
the conduct of the works. Again, the break-
ages to which the Chairman alluded ought to
be obviated by making better casts and using
better timber.

Another point to which attention might use-
fully be directed is providing greater facilities
for delivery. Were a store established some-
where on the Hongkong side the purchase of
small quantities of cement would be made
easier.

Perhaps the most interesting suggestion is
that which concerns the elimination, in part,
of the competition from which the enterprise
suffers. At present the Canton Factory is con-
ducted by the Provincial Government at a loss,
and the Government is endeavouring to induce a
combination of merchants to take it over. When
that happens, as is not unlikely, it should be
possible to arrive at some arrangement with
the Canton Factory. Stone could be supplied
chiefly from Canton and neighbourhood, a cir-
cumstance which should materially assist our
Hongkong Company, and an arrangement
should be mutually beneficial. I am, etc.,

ONLOOKER.

CAN HONGKONG AFFORD TO PAY
THE MILITARY CONTRIBUTION?

[TO THE EDITOR "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS".]

Hongkong, March 27th.

DEAR SIR,—Our Great Cement Co. has
gone to the wall, like our Great Dock
Company, and other local concerns. Our
Cement Company cannot compete against
Haiphong and Canton. The secret of the
whole thing is the 20 per cent. tax (called
Military Contribution) made by the British
Government on poor Hongkong. Labour is
so expensive now that we cannot possibly
compete with other places which are not
handicapped with a 20 per cent. tax. We
cannot pay our way now and the Government
is looking out for fresh taxes to put upon
us. Beware! If we do not reduce the Mil-
itary Contribution Hongkong will soon return
to the position of the "Barren Rock" from
which she sprang!—Yours, &c.,

W. H. P.

A RECRUIT FOR THE STRAITS.

A Chinese from the New Territory, who had
been approached by an emigration agent to
seek for service in a tin mine in the Straits
Settlements, and who had apparently consented,
appeared before Mr. Wood at the Magistracy
yesterday charged with assaulting the agent
and causing grievous bodily harm. The defend-
ant, after a visit to the Registrar-General's
office, was quartered in a boarding-house in Des
Voeux Road West pending the sailing of a
steamer. On Saturday morning, while the
agent was sleeping, the accused is alleged to
have struck him on the head with a wooden
pillow. This created something like a panic
among the inmates, whom it took the master of
the house some time to pacify. The injured
man was then removed to hospital, and his as-
sailant was placed under arrest. The latter
appeared before the Court yesterday, and was
remanded.

THE SHANGHAI PERJURY CASE.

In the case of the King versus I. R. Michael,
the Judge in addressing the jury said that the
sole question was whether the accused swore
falsely and whether he did it criminally or not.
Furthermore whether he swore an oath with
the criminal intention of deceiving the Court.
If he did he was guilty of the crime of perjury.
The jury were satisfied that the accused had
that intention the motive was quite immaterial.
But supposing that after they had heard all the
evidence adduced and they were still in doubt
they could then very well look to the motive to
assist them. Dealing with Mr. Jones' letter,
his Lordship said that he felt that Mr.
Jones ought to have brought the letter to the
notice of the Judge. He did not believe, how-
ever, that Mr. Jones had any wrong intention
at all.

In conclusion his Lordship said that if the
jury had any serious doubt as to the guilt of
the accused they ought to acquit him.

At three minutes to five the jury retired to
consider their verdict, and they were still in
doubt when the jury returned to Court at 6.50 and in an-
nouncing the verdict the foreman said:—We
find the accused guilty and that he swore falsely
in his statements to the Judge, but there is not
sufficient evidence to prove deliberate and wilful
intent.

His Lordship—That is a verdict of not
guilty; the accused is discharged.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The T.K.K. str. *Chigo Maru* with mails, &c.,
from San Francisco, to the 8th inst. via
Honolulu, arrived at Yokohama on the 25th
inst., at 6 p.m., and is due to arrive here on or
about the 4th prox.

The Bank Line str. *Lucerne* sailed from Yoko-
hama for Victoria, B.C., on the 25th inst., and
is due to arrive there on or about the 8th prox.

The Bank Line str. *Strathgairn* arrived at Yoko-
hama from Vancouver, B.C., on the 26th
inst.

The Bank Line str. *Hallamshire* arrived at
Manila from Hongkong on the 26th inst.

The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Ludwig* carrying the
German Mails with dates from Berlin of the
8th inst., left Colombo on the 26th inst. p.m.
and may be expected here on or about the 6th
prox. a.m.

The I.G.M. str. *Prinzess Alice* which left
here on the 22nd instant, at noon, arrived at
Singapore on the 26th inst., at 9 a.m.

The I.G.M. str. *Alekt*, which left here on
the 24th inst., at 6 a.m., arrived at Shanghai
on the 26th inst., at 9 p.m.

CANTON.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

March 24th.

THE COST OF PETITIONS.

Such police as the Ko In District possesses
have until now been supported by the tax on
gambling. Now that this is shortly to come to
an end the officials are in a quandary as to how
to support the force. One man has come for-
ward with a scheme to charge one dollar for
every petition presented to an official and with
the proceeds to maintain the police. One is led
to suppose that the Ko In Police are not very
exorbitant in their demands for pay, or that
petitions in that district must be especially
numerous. However, this may be, the suggestion
has been passed on to the Viceroy, who, in turn,
has laid it before the Law Commissioner for his
opinion.

EXAMINATION OF OFFICIALS.

The Viceroy has just received a dispatch from
Peking that all officials below the third rank
are to be examined as to their education and
fitness for office. Those from the fourth to the
seventh rank are to be sent to Peking for this
purpose, while those lower than the seventh
degree will be examined locally. Any officer
possessing a certificate from the Colleges of
Science and Politics is exempt from the ex-
amination. The officers going to Peking
will do so on or before the end of the sixth
month, while the examination for those of lower
degree will take place here on the 10th day of
the 3rd month. This proposal is looked upon
with a great deal of approbation by the
people, for it looks as if the Government intends
to see that only worthy persons shall in future
occupy official positions.

WINE MONOPOLY.

The police are at last taking active measures
to stop all further quarrelling over the wine
monopoly. The owners of those shops that
remained persistently on strike have been
told to open their doors on pain of forfeiture
of the premises, and it is noticeable that this
mandate has had a very salutary effect. Yester-
day in different parts of the town four
persons began to make speeches in the public
streets denouncing the Government for its
action in this matter. They were all promptly
arrested and are to be charged with conspiring
against the public peace.

FISH MONOPOLY.

As is well known, enormous quantities of fish
are consumed here daily and its cheapness is a
great boon to the people. Large quantities of
this food come from outlying districts, especially
San Wai. At the beginning of last year a mer-
chant of that district proposed a monopoly in
the trade of this article, but owing to the
strenuous opposition of the people who were
backed up by the Fish Guild the application
was refused. Another merchant has just now
come forward with another scheme for a mono-
poly of the San Wai fish trade. He has offered
the Government a sum of 55,000 taels annually,
for the privilege, and in addition has promised to
give \$1,000 yearly in respect of the expenses of
the local Government. His tender has been
accepted, although it has caused a great deal of
discontent in the district.

OPUM IN A MONASTERY.

Owing to information received an officer in
the service of the Anti-Opium Bureau together
with several detectives made a raid in the Tai
Fat Monastery. In one monk's room they
found a large quantity of opium-smoking
apparatus and several persons smoking, not one
of whom possessed the necessary licence. They
were all arrested, but one of the captured men
began to bluster and say that his master was a
person of great importance possessing much
influence, and that if he were arrested it would
be bad for the officer. Strange to say, the
officer allowed this man to go free, but took the
others to the police station. Enquiries proved
that the astute blaster's story was a myth
and the officer has been censured for allowing
any person's position to interfere with the
performance of his duty. Public opinion is also
outraged at the fact of the sacred edifice being
used as a place in which to break the law. As
a matter of fact, many of these temples would
be the better for a strict investigation into the
way they are conducted, for it is well known
that not only opium-smoking but gambling and
even worse things are not unknown in them.

GAMBLING HOUSE FOKS.

As reported last week, a very large number
of men are employed in the fan-lan houses here
who in a week's time will be out of employment.
Some few of these no doubt will be lucky
enough to find other work, and the remainder
the Viceroy proposes to ship off to the Pratas
Islands (if they are willing), and assist in the
development thereof. The scheme has been
referred to the Tao-tai of Industries for his
opinion. The last attempt at the development
of these islands ended in failure, and it is hard
to imagine that men brought up in the lax
moral atmosphere of the gambling dens will be
very successful as developers. From a fan-lan
cromper or tent

STREET STALL OBSTRUCTIONS.

IMPORTANT PROSECUTIONS BY THE GOVERNMENT.

The hearing of seven summonses brought against Chinese stallholders for obstructing Lee Yuen Street East, Lee Yuen Street West and Chinese Street were continued before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

Mr. F. E. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor, appeared for the Crown, and defendants were represented by Mr. M. J. D. Stephens and Mr. A. G. Jackson.

Mr. P. Jacks, Assistant Land Officer, said Lee Yuen Street East, Lee Yuen Street West and Chinese Street were on land under lease from the Crown.

In reply to Mr. Stephens witness said they were private lands.

Inspector John Reidie, recalled, stated that domestic buildings abutted on Lee Yuen Street East, Lee Yuen Street West and Chinese Street.

Cross-examined by Mr. Stephens:

Are there any encroachments in the lane besides those for which summonses have been taken out?—Sometimes tenants put goods in the lane.

Do you allow that?—It is objected to at times, and notices have been served.

Are goods not put in the lane daily?—They might be.

Don't you find, when passing through, people packing and unpacking vegetables on the street?—I have seen them.

And the street is sometimes almost impassable, is it not?—Not lately.

But it has been?—Yes.

And a week or two ago it was?—Not to my knowledge.

His Worship—Are there any obstructions on the ground surface other than these?—No obstructions to carting.

Mr. Bowley—Is not there a watchman's shelter in one of these streets?—Yes, but I should hardly regard that as an obstruction.

This closed the case for the Crown, and Mr. Stephens called the first defendant.

Chu Man said he had a stall in Lee Yuen Street East, which he had had for about 16 years. He paid \$20 a month rent to the occupier of 34, Des Voeux Road Central. He had paid this amount for three months and during his previous occupation he paid a rental of \$12 monthly for the same stall. Witness held a money-changer's licence, for which he paid \$10 a year. He had a permit from the Building Authority for his stall, and had held one for over ten years.

The permit says you can have a sunshade there?—I have a sunshade.

And now you have a sunshade, what do you want?—I wish to beg his Worship to allow me to have a money-changer's stall. I will be satisfied if I can have a counter and a bench there.

A counter and a bench are what you have got now, but I don't think you can keep them. Would you be satisfied with a table?—Is a table like a counter?

This is a table (pointing to one in Court). It is a thing raised from the ground on four legs—A counter has also got four legs. How high is it?

That will have to be agreed to and approved by the Authorities. Will you be satisfied with a glass case, a table and a sunshade?—Is it a table with four legs?

It wouldn't be a table without four legs, that's certain. It wouldn't have two legs, so don't talk such nonsense. Will a table do?—I am satisfied with that.

Mr. Bowley, in cross-examination, produced an agreement which was issued contemporaneously with the permit held by defendant, and which the defendant admitted he had signed.

There was a clause in the agreement to the effect that the sunshade should be removed within one month on receipt of a notice signed by the Director of Public Works.

When you asked for this sunshade it was to be over a doorway or opening in the side of the house, was it not?—Yes.

Did you also instruct Messrs. Leigh & Orange to write to the Building Authority for you nearly six years ago, with regard to this stall?—Yes.

Did you then receive a letter from the Secretary of the Sanitary Board to the effect that your permit was for the erection of a cloth sunshade, and that no permits for the erection of stalls had been granted?—Yes.

Do you remember receiving another letter from Mr. Bowen Rowlands, the then Assistant Secretary to the Board, to the effect that your permit referred to a sunshade, and did not exempt you from compliance with a notice to remove the stall?—Yes.

Was this petition, which was witnessed by Mr. Stephens, signed by you?—That is my signature.

Here is another sent in by Mr. Holmes. Has that got your signature on it?—Yes.

Did Mr. Holmes inform you that your petition had been considered by the Government and refused?—I was then in the country.

Did Mr. Stephens inform you that his petition had been considered by the Government and refused?—Yes.

And have you been warned by different inspectors frequently that you must remove your stall?—Yes.

Re-examined by Mr. Stephens:

You had a sunshade over a doorway at the side of the house?—Yes.

Had you the use of the doorway: that is, the inlet?—No.

That was the door for?—It was bricked up a few years ago.

Mr. Stephens then called the two other defendants for whom he appeared, and when

their evidence had been adduced, Mr. Jackson intimated that he did not intend to call his clients.

Mr. Bowley submitted, with regard to the three men who had entered the witness box, that it was abundantly clear they were enroaching on lanes through the misuse of sunshades. It was quite clear they were there only on a temporary footing; probably they were monthly tenants, and could be cleared out by a month's notice from their landlords. They had had nearly nine months' notice from various parties concerned that they were to move, consequently no hardship was inflicted on them.

Mr. Jackson stated with regard to the other defendants that when he was instructed originally that they were to come up, he asked his Worship to grant an adjournment so that a petition could be presented to the Sanitary Department or the proper authorities for the purpose of endeavouring to obtain their consent to remain there, or to let his clients know what particular requirements would satisfy the Board and allow them to remain there. He was then aware that many petitions had been presented and refused. Now, he understood from officials in the Department that in no circumstances whatever would stallholders be permitted to remain. He had considered the question so far as his clients were concerned, and had advised them. They were willing to remove, but asked his Worship to allow them until Saturday next.

Mr. Stephens stated that his cases were entirely different to those of Mr. Jackson, as all three of his clients had permits to erect sunshades. A sunshade was not erected for nothing. The roof of a house was intended to cover something, and those sunshades were intended to cover something, when the authorities gave leave to put them up. There was no doubt that as Chinese they would exceed what was intended, but the Government must have intended something. He asked that his clients be allowed something for those sunshades. Section 268 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance provided for those particular cases, for therein it was provided that that Ordinance would not lessen the validity or effect of any certificate or written permission issued by the Board. His clients had held their stalls for a term of years, and were in them at the time that Ordinance was passed. If it was intended that section should not apply, he submitted that the authorities should have removed his clients before the Ordinance came into force. He asked that they be allowed to remain where they were so long as they did not encroach on the streets. It was a great hardship to these men to be driven away from the place where they had been earning their livelihood.

His Worship—Do you intend to claim compensation?

Mr. Stephens—It depends entirely on what your decision will be. If we are removed we should have to send in a claim, but I have no instructions at present.

His Worship—I am afraid I must make an order against your clients and against Mr. Jackson's clients.

Mr. Stephens—I am in a better position than Mr. Jackson, because he has got no permit at all. If your Worship decides in that way against me I will ask you to state a case for the opinion of the Attorney-General or the Supreme Court, but I would rather that I had not to do so.

His Worship—I am afraid I am against you, but I am perfectly willing to state a case.

Mr. Stephens—In that case I will have to ask you to state a case. Surely the permits are not to be taken away altogether? I don't think they can be. Would your Worship allow these summonses to stand over so that you can take the opinion of the Law Officer of the Crown in the matter?

His Worship—I have been taking an opinion. Mr. Stephens suggested that his Worship should take the opinion of the Attorney-General.

His Worship—The best thing will be for me to make an order against your clients along with Mr. Jackson's clients, and if you apply to me to state a case I will state one.

His Worship—I am to a certain extent in sympathy with these people who have been there a long time.

Mr. Bowley—These permits are for sunshades, not for stalls. We have no objection to the sunshades, but ask your Worship to remove the stalls.

His Worship ordered each defendant to remove all show-cases, counters and stalls, the subject of the summonses, within fourteen days. If not removed within that period each defendant would be liable to a penalty of \$100.

PROVISIONS AS CONTRABAND.

A White Paper was issued recently containing the correspondence with the French Government in 1885 respecting the treatment of rice as contraband. In 1835 France was at war with China, and M. Waddington, the Ambassador in London, in a note dated February 20, announced to "Baron Granville," the Foreign Secretary, that the Government of the Republic had determined to examine the right which belonged to it to consider and to treat rice as contraband of war. Lord Granville replied that the British Government felt compelled to take exception to the proposed measure, as they could not admit that consistently with the law and practice of nations and with the rights of neutrals, provisions in general could be treated as contraband of war. M. Waddington, in his reply to this letter, adheres to the propriety of the proposed measure, and points out that owners of cargoes seized would be able to appeal to the Prize Court sitting in Paris. Lord Granville, however, refused to change his attitude. He said that His Majesty's Government felt themselves bound to reserve their rights by protesting at once against the doctrine that it is for the belligerent to decide what is and what is not contraband of war, regardless of the well-established rights of neutrals. In fact he repeated his protest against rice being treated generally as contraband of war, and stated that the British Government would not consider themselves bound by the decision of any Prize Court which should uphold a contrary doctrine.

MACAO.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MACAO, March 27th.

MISPLACED ZEAL.

Much inconvenience and annoyance is caused by the operations of the harbour police who institute a search among the luggage and personal effects of Chinese passengers as they land from the steamers which arrive from Hongkong. The passengers are stopped as they leave the gangway, their effects searched, and the thoroughfare obstructed by the heavy boxes and other belongings being examined. The police are understood to be searching for morphine, but as few of them would recognise it if they saw it the examination is reduced almost to a farce. At the same time the zeal of these officials is not appreciated by the victims of it, and if this petty annoyance continues the Chinese are likely to be driven away from the Colony. If a search has to be made, a proper place should be set aside for it. Certainly it should not be done at the gangway.

EMPTY HOUSES.

Owners of property in the Colony are beginning to feel anxious about their prospects. Not for a long time have so many empty houses been seen. In the Praia Grande, in the bazaar, and in other parts of the city empty houses are found, but notwithstanding this significant state of affairs the authorities do nothing to seek to improve the place.

STIPPLE REFORM.

It is significant that when the authorities find themselves in a difficulty on any particular subject a solution is usually found by appointing a committee to consider the subject. The committee presents its report in due course and the report is promptly pigeon-holed and the matter is ended. In the two last issues of the Bulletin it is noted that a committee has been appointed to report on the petition presented protesting against the recent colour-washing order, and that a committee of barristers has been appointed to consider as to the best means of doing away with certain taxes.

THE POSTAL SENSATION.

Official circles are still excited over the alleged post office embezzlement, and two officials remain in custody.

LOCAL SPORT.

HONGKONG CRICKET LEAGUE.

The following is the league table up to date:—

Club.	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Per cent.
R. E. & Depts.	16	12	3	1	75.
Craigengower	14	7	3	4	50.
Hongkong "A"	15	7	5	3	46.66
R. G. A.	11	5	5	1	45.45
Kowloon	15	6	5	4	40.
Yorks.	13	5	8	—	38.46
Remnants	14	5	6	3	35.71
Civil Service	11	3	8	—	27.27
H.K. Police	15	2	12	1	13.33

THE HONGKONG RIFLE LEAGUE.

The result of League Matches for the season 1910-1911 is as under:—

H.W.S. Minotaur	H.M.S. Minotaur	A.O.D. Rifle Club	H.M.S. Tamar	Taiako Rifle Club	R.N.D.Y. Rifle Club
Shot.	Won.	Lost.	Shot.	Won.	Lost.
H.W.S. Minotaur	5	5	5	5	5
H.M.S. Minotaur	4	4	4	4	4
A.O.D. Rifle Club	4	4	4	4	4
H.M.S. Tamar	4	4	4	4	4
Taiako Rifle Club	4	4	4	4	4
R.N.D.Y. Rifle Club	4	4	4	4	4
	26	13	13		

VOLUNTEER RESERVES.

The fifth competition for the Cup presented by Sir Henry May, K.C.M.G., took place at King's Park Range on the 25th and 26th instant and resulted as follows:—

CLASS A.	Score.
T. Hamilton	33 + 2 = 35
G. Gilson	33 + 2 = 35
A. Calvert	32 + 3 = 35
G. H. Wakeman	32 + 3 = 35
A. Watson	32 + 2 = 34
R. E. O. Bird	31 + 2 = 33
L. G. Bird	28 + 2 = 30
R. Stewart	29 + 2 = 31

CLASS B.	Score.
E. Heavil	33 + 2 = 35
A. Mackenzie	30 + 1 = 31
S. Kelly	28 + 3 = 31
C. E. H. Beavis	26 + 2 = 28
E. B. Ayris	26 + 3 = 29
A. Blower	16 + 5 = 21

CLASS C.	Score.
P. J. Lambie	24 + 9 = 33
J. Hutchings	23 + 10 = 33
A. O. Franklin	27 + 4 = 31
J. Mackay	26 + 5 = 31
J. P. Miller	26 + 5 = 31

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 27th at 11.50 a.m. the barometer has risen quickly on the N.E. coast of China, and fallen moderately in Vladivostok and Japan.

The depression lying over Manchuria yesterday has moved into the N. part of the Sea of Japan.

Pressure remains high over China.

Fresh to strong monsoon may be expected over the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day is as follows:—

N.E. and E.	Winds, fresh fair.
Hongkong & Neighbourhood	Same as No. 1.
Formosa Channel	Same as No. 1.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamoo	Same as No. 1.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan	Same as No. 1.

HONGKONG GARRISON ESTIMATES 1911-12.

The distribution of the Regimental Establishments stationed at Hongkong is shown in the Army Estimates as follows:—

Royal Garrison Artillery, 3 Companies, numbering all ranks, 703.

Royal Engineers, 2 Companies, 13 officers and 220 men.

Infantry, 1 Battalion, all ranks, 933.

Army Service Corps, 4 officers and 29 men.

Royal Army Medical Corps, 8 officers and 44 men.

Indian Corps, 2 Battalions, 1954 all ranks.

H.K.S.B.G.A. 361 all ranks.

Royal Engineers (Chinese), 50 all ranks.

Army Ordnance Department and Corps, 6 Officers and 31 Men.

Army Pay Corps, 8.

Total all ranks, 4,274.

MILITARY CONTRIBUTIONS FROM CROWN COLONIES.

Under the heading of Appropriations in Aid the following contributions from Colonial Revenue in aid of Military Expenditure appear:—

Estimate 1911-12.	Estimate 1910-11.
£	£
Ceylon	138,000
Mauritius	25,000
Hongkong	11,000
Straits Settlements	190,000
Total	364,000

Under the category of New Works, &c., amounting to £2,000 and upwards appear:—

China—Kowloon, estimate for the work £15,000.

Whitfield Camp, Expenditure to 31st March, 1911, 10,500.

Repairs—Machados to be voted 1911-12, 3,900.

By permanent buildings, further amount required for completing the work, 600.

The following statement shows the amounts included in the Army Estimates for Hongkong:—

Estimated Regimental Force, South China, all ranks	4,274
Vote 1—Pay, &c., of General Staff, Regimental Departments	216,990
Vote 2—Medical Establishment and Medicines	6,500
Vote 3—Educational Establishments	850
Vote 4—Lodging, Stable, and Field allowances, Hire of buildings and Barrack Services	10,360
Conveyance of troops and stores except by sea	2,103
Army Service Corps, Subordinates and Clerks of Yards	4,470
Purchase of Munitions	70
Vote 7—Provisions, Forage, Fuel and Light, Colonial allowances, &c.	54,910
Clothing	15,750
Vote 8—Wages Army Ordnance Department	7,000
Vote 10—Engineer Service, &c.	24,368
Works and Buildings	29,350
Land purchases and Rents payable	170
Gross Total	33,888
Deduct Rents receivable and other receipts	450
Vote 11—Miscellaneous Services	33,438
Total	262

Total estimated expenditure £297,400.

Military Contribution by local Government to Army Funds £118,000.

This statement includes an estimated sum for supplies, clothing sent from England, but is otherwise limited generally to the local expenditure in the Colony, exclusive of expenditure under the Military Works Act (if any). It does not include the cost of sea transport, or of ammunition, arms, accoutrements, barrack, hospital, and other stores, which are mainly supplied from England; the value of these items cannot now be stated, but will be shown in the Appropriation Account. This statement also includes recruiting and training expenses incurred at Home, the quarter administrative expenses, and now effective charges.

THE DE-NATIONALISATION OF THE CHINESE.

A correspondent having written to the N.C. Daily News regarding the queue-cutting movement as "a demonstration of its tendency," the Peking Daily News replies to him as follows:—

"Foreigners are not generally aware that they have played quite important parts in the denationalisation of the Chinese. They establish schools to inculcate into the Chinese mind foreign thoughts, they establish churches for the propagation of foreign religions, they teach us to speak their own tongues, and they introduce into this country the operation of railways, the opening of mines, the use of telegraphs and telephones, and they force us to substitute for our bows and arrows the more terrible human-destroying implements, the high explosives, the rapid-firing guns, and the like, and they set as the example that 'might is right' and that the sovereign and property right of other nations may not be respected. Now-a-days the foreign educated Chinese are thoroughly foreignised. They think in foreign thoughts, they speak foreign languages, they read foreign books, they use imported goods, they act in foreign ways, and they practise a foreign religion. What more can a Chinese be denationalised than this? And yet foreigners will ignore these facts and ascribe the queue-cutting movement to a desire of denationalisation, but must concentrate their attention to the mere question of cutting-off of the queue, the hang of trowsers, or some other similarly trivial questions."

FOREIGN OFFICERS LEAVE N.Y.K. SERVICE.

Mr. P. J. McCormick, the senior engineer in the N.Y.K. line, has severed his connection with the Company and left for New York, where he intends to reside. Mr. McCormick has been forty-one years in the service of the N.Y.K. and the company which preceded it. He has for some time held the gold medal as Commodore Engineer of the N.Y.K. Fleet, which carried with it an extra ¥25 per month. The Japan Gazette understands Mr. McCormick, on leaving, received from the Company the largest bonus ever paid to an engineer, and a personal letter of thanks from the President of the Company. Mr. J. C. Low, another engineer in the service of the N.Y.K. and formerly of the Bingham line, has also left the company, and gone to reside in British Columbia. Mr. Low, who has been in the N.Y.K. for about twelve years, being previously with the C.P.R., has for some time been a patient in the Yokohama General Hospital, but has so far recovered to permit of his leaving Japan.

Captain Horikoshi, late commander of the Sado-maru, who has been in the service of the N.Y.K. about twelve years, has retired, and left on the Hime-maru, en route to Sweden, where he intends to settle.

THE CORONATION OF KING GEORGE.

ARRANGEMENTS IN SHANGHAI.

A meeting of the most representative members of the British community of Shanghai was called by Mr. E. D. H. Fraser, C.M.G., Consul-General, at the British Consulate last week to discuss the lines on which the Coronation of King George, which takes place on June 22, should be celebrated in Shanghai.

The meeting, which was very largely attended, was held in the British Consulate. After some debate it was decided that the festivities of the day should be arranged as follows:—

In the morning there will be a service in Holy Trinity Cathedral, which the Foreign Consular Body, and representatives of the Chinese officials will be invited to attend. This will be followed by the firing of a salute from The Bund, after which the British Consul-General will be "at home" at the Consulate.

In the afternoon a special service will be held for children in the Cathedral, at the close of which, in all probability, a procession will be arranged from the Cathedral to the Race Course, where children's sports and sports by British blue-jackets will take place. Tea will be served, the arrangements for this being in the hands of a committee of ladies. In the evening there will be illuminations, in which it is hoped that as many householders as possible will join, and a grand torch-light procession, with decorated and emblematic cars, ending up at the Race Course, where there will be a display of fireworks.

The meeting then passed to the election of Sub-Committees, of which there will be five, namely, Refreshments, Sports, Procession, Decoration and Illumination, and Finance. The above Sub-Committees will have powers, respectively, to add to their numbers. Messrs. E. F. Batesman, E. P. Byrnes and H. R. Campbell were also elected to undertake general secretarial duties. The St. George's, St. Andrew's, St. Patrick's, and Lancastrian Societies are lending their combined assistance.

It only remains to be said that the various Sub-Committees will cordially welcome all offers of assistance from the British community; and that the latter will be equally delighted if their fellow-residents in Shanghai of other nationalities see fit to join in celebrating the day by decorations, or any other means in their power.

—N.C. Daily News.

RETIREMENT OF MR. LANDALE.

At the meeting of the Shanghai Municipal Council Mr. De Gray paid the following tribute to Mr. Landale, the retiring Chairman:—

"Before Mr. Landale retires I feel bound to make some allusion to the work which he has done in presiding at our meetings during the past four years. The duties and responsibilities of the Chairman of Council are such as can only be realised by those who come into close official touch with him, and, speaking as the senior member of Council, I present him today, and thus one who has had the longest experience of Mr. Landale's Chairmanship, I feel that it is my duty to record that the judgment which Mr. Landale has brought to bear upon Municipal matters and the invariable courtesy which he has displayed towards his colleagues and the public generally, entitle him to the highest praise. Mr. Landale's record of four years as Chairman has only once been equalled in the past: I refer to the late Mr. J. L. Scott. But I believe I am right in saying that with the hard and difficult work performed by Mr. Landale is considered, his record is without equal. I think it will be a long time, possibly years, before so able and so hard-working a Councilor will occupy the Chair again."

These remarks met with the cordial and unanimous concurrence of the members. The Shanghai Mercury says:—

We may add that Mr. Landale's services to the community have not been confined to the performance of his duties as Chairman of the Municipal Council, but, as they have been discharged, and that he has in addition taken a leading share in almost every movement which has had the good of Shanghai as its object. Indeed, it must have often caused surprise that with his multifarious duties as Chairman of the Municipal Council and head of the leading firm in Shanghai he could find time to serve the public in so many ways and take a prominent share in so many other functions both social and philanthropic. Mr. Landale has served the community as few others have done, and his place will be hard to fill. We are sure we express the feelings of all when we say that there will be the profoundest regret at his departure from Shanghai, and that all feel that he deserves a holiday, and hope that we may soon see him back in Shanghai.

THE POSITION OF SILVER.

We subjoin extracts from Messrs. Samuel Montagu & Co.'s circular of the 24th ult.:

The outlook of the [silver] market is a little better this week, and prices rose on the 20th inst. to 24½d. for cash; after a temporary setback of ½d. on the 22nd inst. the quotation stands at this figure to-day. This improvement was caused by purchases for shipment and also for forward delivery on account of China, whose exports from the southern districts had been stimulated to some extent by the relatively low rates of exchange.

It is a reminder that though the interference of the plague with business is undoubtedly serious and the trade interests of China—notwithstanding the wide extent of the country—are closely interwoven, yet, after all, the trouble is so far local, and other important trade centres cannot remain at a standstill.

Nor must it be lost sight of, as a point favourable to silver, that imports of merchandise into the plague-infected districts are to a certain extent, diminished through this cause. Although the decrease in the silver rupee held in the Treasury currency reserves and the gold standard and reserve combined do not hold out much hope of any purchases on account of the Indian Government this year, the reduction from the figures of 1909 is worth noting. February, 1909, combined totals, 423 crores; February, 1910, combined totals, 36 crores; February, 1911, combined totals, 294 crores.

We have been referring recently to a possible decrease in the popularity of rupees in India for hoarding purposes. In curious contrast to such falling-off in the country of origin, we learn that the rupee is obtaining quite a vogue in certain parts of China. The coins are introduced by traders and Tibet, and attract favour through their convenient size. In the West of Szechuan the rupee became a well-known coin many years ago, and at times changed hands at an extraordinary premium of 100 per cent. above its face value. The Chinese authorities, however, are too slow to allow such a state of affairs to continue indefinitely, and have put into operation a coin of their own minting similar in appearance, and equally handy. A shipment of 250,000 had been made from San Francisco to Hongkong.

INTIMATIONS.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

THE INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS OF HONGKONG.

THE Discussion on Mr. E. O. Murphy's paper on Power Gas Producers will take place in the Institution Rooms TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), 29th March, at 9 P.M. (Hongkong, 28th March, 1911.) [515]

THE HONGKONG RIFLE LEAGUE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held (by kind permission of Lt. Col. CHAPMAN, V.D.) at Volunteer Headquarters on THURSDAY Next, the 30th March, at 5.15 P.M.

M. S. NORTHCOTE, Hon. Secretary. (Hongkong, 28th March, 1911.) [516]

KOWLOON BOWLING GREEN CLUB.

AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of Members of the KOWLOON BOWLING GREEN CLUB will be held at the Club House, on MONDAY, the 3rd April, 1911, at 5.45 P.M., to discuss the advisability of erecting an improved Club House.

For the Committee, D. O. W. Secretary. (Hongkong, 27th March, 1911.) [517]

WANTED.

FURNISHED HOUSE, at the Peak preferred. A.B.C. Care of "Daily Press" Office. (Hongkong, 28th March, 1911.) [518]

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THE YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Association will be held at the Head Office, No. 26, The Bund, Shanghai, on TUESDAY, the 11th April, 1911, at 4 o'clock P.M., precisely, for presentation of the Report of the Directors and the Accounts to the 31st December, 1910, and the election of Directors and Auditors for the current year and for the purpose of transacting any other business which may be transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Association will be CLOSED from the 4th to the 10th April, 1911, both days inclusive.

Members holding proxies for absent Shareholders must deposit same with the Secretary for Registration at least forty-eight hours before the Meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors, W. S. JACKSON, Secretary. (Shanghai, 21st March, 1911.) [523]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS & CHINA OVERLAND TRADE REPORT

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The Increased Liquor Duties. New Solicitor Enrolled. Canton News. The Aviation Meeting. Hongkong Volunteer Corps. Hongkong Chamber of Commerce. Shipbuilding in Hongkong. Hongkong-General Chamber of Commerce. Alleged Seditious Literature. The Shanghai Libel. Shipping Notes. The Anglo-Japanese Alliance. New Plague Discovery. Supreme Court. Hongkong Legislative Council. The Manila Police Scandal. The Hongkong Devonian Society Dinner. Company Meetings:—

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NEW ADVERTISEMENT

NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that, owing to a NEW MAIN being connected to the WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM in the Vicinity of CAUSEWAY BAY, the SUPPLY of WATER will be SHUT OFF in YEE WO STREET, EAST of PENNINGTON STREET, and all Properties EAST of CAROLINE ROAD, up to and including the BELLE VIEW HOTEL, from 12 o'clock NOON, on WEDNESDAY, the 29th, until 6 o'clock A.M. on THURSDAY, the 30th inst.

A. F. CHURCHILL, for Water Authority. Public Works Officer. (Hongkong, 28th March, 1911.) [522]

INTIMATIONS

G. R.

GOVERNMENT BILLS.

TENDERS for SPECIE BRITISH and MEXICAN DOLLARS, current in this Colony, in exchange for Sterling Bills drawn at 10 days sight on the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, London, will be received by the TREASURY CHEST OFFICER, ARMY PAY DEPARTMENT, until 11 A.M. TO-DAY (TUESDAY), the 28th March, 1911.

The Tenders to state the total amount (in pounds sterling) and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for less than £100.

The Tenders to be in duplicate, and in sealed covers, addressed to the TREASURY CHEST OFFICER, ARMY PAY DEPARTMENT, and endorsed "TENDERS FOR GOVERNMENT BILLS".

The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved.

Copies of Forms of Tender can be had on application.

H. D. STACPOLE, Lt.-Col., A.P.D., Treasury Chest Officer. (Hongkong, 25th March, 1911.) [512]

V. R. C.

ATHLETIC SPORTS, APRIL 8th, 1911.

INTENDING Competitors are reminded that Entries Close TO-DAY (TUESDAY), 28th inst., at 6 P.M.

Entries should be sent to Hon. Secretary, V.R.C. (Hongkong, 27th March, 1911.) [510]

SOCIETE DES PULEES ET PAPERIES DE TONKIN.

CONFORMABLY with the Articles of Association, the FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 21 rue Jules Ferry, Haiphong, on FRIDAY, the 31st March, 1911, at 2 o'clock P.M.

For the Board of Directors, T. P. HOUGH, Chairman. (Hongkong General Purposes Committee. Hongkong, 13th March, 1911.) [439]

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE NINETEENTH DRAWING of SIXTY-FIVE DEBENTURES of the HONGKONG CLUB (1894 issue, \$100,000 each) was held in the HONGKONG CLUB HOUSE, on FRIDAY, the 17th March, 1911, when the following Debentures were drawn for Redemption:—

68	411	805	1282	1615
91	538	816	1289	1627
103	550	843	1325	1720
131	598	864	1326	1742
153	610	921	1335	1759
199	660	925	1421	1795
229	666	930	1451	1801
281	677	951	1458	1809
282	707	1017	1539	1827
320	723	1030	1587	1839
321	773	1088	1593	1851
346	774	1175	1600	1861
405	801	1252	1610	1983

and will be payable at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on FRIDAY, the 31st March, 1911, in Exchange for surrender of same.

By Order, JAMES CRAIK, Secretary. (Hongkong, 17th March, 1911.) [464]

THE PHOENIX CLUB, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the above Club will be held on FRIDAY, the 31st March, at 6 P.M., in the Club Premises, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Committee together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 28th February, 1911.

By Order of the GENERAL COMMITTEE. (Hongkong, 25th March, 1911.) [511]

OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE DINNER.

THE ANNUAL DINNER of Members of the above Universities will be held on SATURDAY, April 1st, at 7.45 P.M., in the HONGKONG CLUB. Members intending to dine are requested to notify either of the Undersigned.

P. W. GOLDRING (Oxford). H. L. O. GARRETT (Cambridge). (Hongkong, 26th March, 1911.) [469]

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PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Buildings, at 12.15 P.M. THIS DAY (TUESDAY), the 28th March, 1911, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1910, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 14th March to 28th March, both days inclusive.

THE CHINA-BORNEO CO., LTD., W. G. DARBY, General Manager. (Hongkong, 28th March, 1911.) [423]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CAN'TON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th April, 1911, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1910, and declaring Dividends, &c.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 16th April to the 26th April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary. (Hongkong, 23rd March, 1911.) [492]

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at the Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 25th April, 1911, at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1910, and of declaring Dividends, &c.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th April to 25th April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary. (Hongkong, 23rd March, 1911.) [493]

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 3rd day of April, 1911, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon, when the following Resolutions will be proposed:—

(1) The Article No. 80 of the Articles of Association of the Company, which now reads:—

"As remuneration for their services the General Managers shall retain or be paid out of the funds of the Company a salary at the rate of Seven Thousand Two Hundred Dollars per annum; and a commission of Five per centum on the net profits of the Company in every year in which the net profits shall amount to Seven per centum of the Capital of the Company."

be amended by eliminating therefrom the words "in which the net profits shall amount to Seven per centum of the Capital of the Company."

(2) That Article No. 92 of the Articles of Association of the Company, which now reads:—

"The Consulting Committee other than the General Managers shall be paid out of the funds of the Company by way of remuneration Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars for each year that the net profits amount to Seven per cent. of the Capital of the Company; and such remuneration shall be divided, among them in such proportion and manner as the Consulting Committee may determine and in default equally."

be struck out and that in lieu thereof the following Article be inserted:—

Article 92. "Each member of the Consulting Committee not being a member of the General Managers' firm shall be paid out of the funds of the Company by way of remuneration for his services the sum of Five Hundred Dollars per annum."

(3) That Article No. 104 of the Articles of Association be struck out and that in lieu thereof the following Article be inserted, namely:—

Article 104. "All dividends unclaimed for one year after having been declared may be invested or otherwise made use of by the General Managers for the benefit of the Company until claimed, and all dividends unclaimed for five years after having been declared may be forfeited by the General Managers for the benefit of the Company. This clause shall not be deemed to constitute the Company a trustee of unclaimed dividends and no dividends shall bear interest as against the Company and a dividend shall not be deemed a specialty."

(4) That the above Resolutions shall be retrospective in their effect and that the alterations in the Articles of Association of the Company thereby effected shall be deemed to have been effected and to have come into force as on the First day of January, 1910.

Should the above Resolutions be passed by the required majority there will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a Second Extraordinary Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Dated the Twenty-fourth day of March, 1911. By Order, JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. [513]

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TO LET.

PEAK VILLA HOUSE, No. 13, Wong-nai-chung Road. Apply to— Messrs. DENNY & BOWLEY. (Hongkong, 23rd March, 1911.) [490]

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HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

TO LET, from the 1st February, 1911, TWO ROOMS in the Ground Floor of the Annex, suitable for Offices. For further particulars, apply to the Undersigned. JAMES CRAIK, Secretary. (Hongkong, 19th January, 1911.) [209]

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9, MOUNTAIN VIEW, (at present occupied by E. R. HALLIFAX, Esq.). From 1st May, 1911. Apply— Care of "Daily Press" Office. (Hongkong, 23rd March, 1911.) [491]

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RAYSHILL WEST, No. 3, Park Road. Apply to— DEACON, LOOKER & DEACON, Hongkong, 14th February, 1911. [322]

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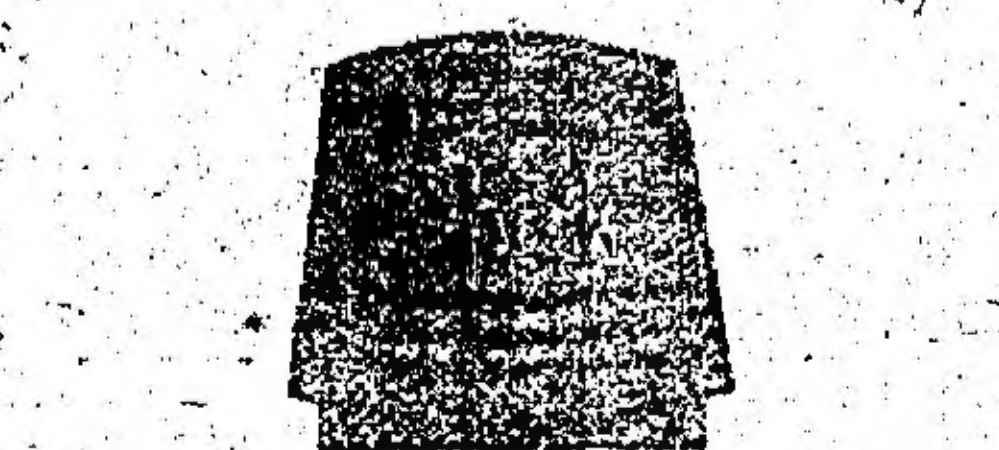
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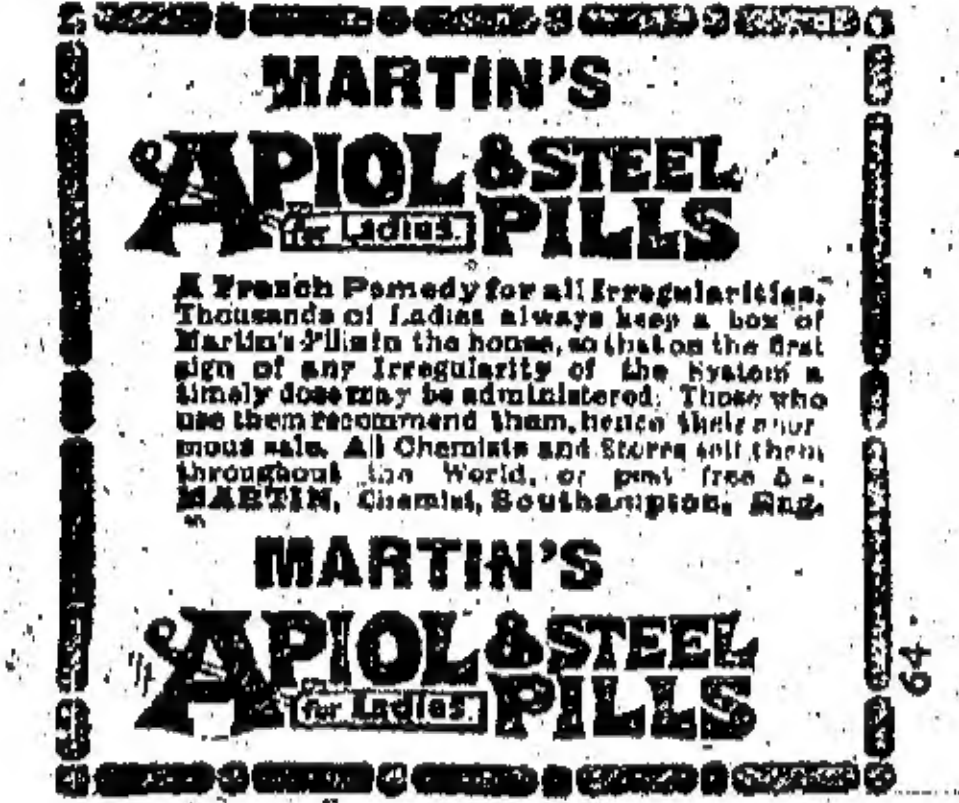
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OLD SATSUMA.

[BY A. E. REYNOLDS, PRINTER IN THE
"FALL GAZETTE."]

The study of ceramics—ceramics comes within the category of the exact sciences, and it is in the nature of things that the more classification of ancient pottery should be full of terminological intricacies. In many instances the old potters thought sufficiently well of their handiwork to put their signatures thereon. Then, again, with many of them the pot was every-thing, and either from vanity or modesty they set it forth unsold. The old Nippon connoisseurs know that the ceremonial tea bowl of Raku ware was by the first of the eleventh century Chieiro (or any one of the nine in between) as the case might be. No need to tell him his cake-box was by Ninoi. He knew it as instinctively as we know that the National Gallery Venus is by Velasquez. These things will come to us in time if we have patience; and pottery collecting begets patience.

What should we think of the Oriental virtuoso who, having amassed a nice little collection of old English porcelain, including Bow, Chelsea, Derby, Manheim, New Hall, and Rockingham, proceeded to label it all "Bow" simply because at Stratford-upon-Avon were the beginnings of English porcelain? Twenty years ago or less we were apt to commit a similar blunder in regard to a closely allied group of Japanese fayences by indiscriminately dubbing it all Satsuma.

One starts out to learn something of the beginnings of Japanese pottery, and he soon finds himself in the regions of romance. The late Sir A. W. Franks knew more about these things than most people, and he informed us that "in B.C. 27 the followers of the Korean Prince Amno, Hiboko, settled at Hasuma, province of Omi, where they manufactured a kind of pottery somewhat harder than that previously made."

Unfortunately, we have little of the "some-what harder" B.C. 27 pottery of the Korean immigrants, and still less of the softer wares of the aborigines. We must be thankful for small mercies at South Kensington, and rejoice in the possession of a hand-fashioned jar, possibly by Wakamatsu-hiko-no-mikoto himself, of about the year B.C. 640, and although we read of several happenings in the pottery world in between, it is a big jump in the dark from it to a pottery flask by Chieiro, a priest of Iseami, made about 730 A.D.

Blessed be the name of Gyeonggi, for not only did he invent the potter's wheel, but he instructed the people in the art of using it. We can quite imagine that after that things went swimmingly in the "potteries." It is merely a detail and quite beside the point that this was not the first time the potter's wheel was invented. But Japan is a sea-girt kingdom, and it is a long way round from China proper through Korea. After the successful invasion of Korea by the Japanese Emperor Jimmu in A.D. 230, some Korean potters settled in Japan, and again, in the middle of the fifth century, we hear of a further batch of arrivals from the peninsula. If, as stated, they were members of a Chinese corporation established in Korea, it is a matter for wonder that they did not bring their potters' wheels with them, and forsook friend Gyeonggi.

The introduction of translucent porcelain into Japan in 1513 is another story, and has nothing to do with the "Korean" settlers, to whom we owe some of that which is good in the cream-colored opaque fayences of Japan. A.D. 1592 is a noteworthy date, for then Shimadzu Yoshihisa, Prince of Satsuma (or his brother Yoshihiro), invading Korea, brought over some more potters who settled first at Kagoshima and afterward at Chirasi, in the province of Osumi. There is a charming little incense burner of Chirasi ware at South Kensington, made about 1600. These potters moved shortly afterwards, with their families, look, stock, and barrel, to Nishimurogawa, in the province of Satsuma, and it is fairly certain that a good clay had been found in the province in 1630 by one of the Koreans, Koyo, of the family of Bokk. Here we have the beginnings of the true Satsuma pottery, and we must not call anything Satsuma unless made in the province of that name, any more than we may call anything Worcester which was not made in the city of that name.

The old Korean potter families of Satsuma lived their own lives, retaining their national customs and language, and never intermarrying with their Japanese neighbors; in fact, until quite recently, mixed marriages were forbidden by law. They increased and multiplied, till in 1875 they numbered about 1,450 souls, all engaged in pot-making.

It is generally thought that Koyo, above referred to, was the first to employ gilding on his Satsuma wares, and enamel colours were not used till early in the eighteenth century. The earliest piece so decorated in the South Kensington collection is a tripod incense-burner surmounted by a fierce lion of the year 1730. This is the first of a series of ten pieces running by easy stages up to the year 1870.

There are people in this world—and they are past praying for—who do not set any store by old pottery; but, apart from such, the man lives not who loves not a piece of old Satsuma. The Japanese arrived at the knowledge of the fact forty or fifty years ago, and have ever since been making "old Satsuma" to satisfy a laudable craving. Some of it is made in Satsuma province, but much more at Arita. There are great fayencers at Arita—notably Taisan, Toshi, and Kinkozan. Kinkozan has evolved a style of his own, founded more or less on the Old Satsuma traditions, and to-day makes wares which as works of art far surpass anything ever produced by the Satsuma potters. By the way, he sent a perforated and lined vase to the Shepherd's Bush Exhibition, of which the dominant feature in the decoration was the representation of a series of fine old tubs worked in relief. The various metals of the tubs with the chase patterns, damascenings, and inlays of gold, silver, and alloys, were reproduced with a faithfulness which made one's fingers itch to take up the old sword guards and turn them over to see the reverse patterns. This vase should be at South Kensington placed beside the Kinkozan tazza made in 1875. If it has gone back to Japan it is a national loss.

It is not easy to say exactly what a piece of old Satsuma is like—far easier to say what it is not like, and the stuff that is often sold as such is not a bit like it. The old ware was simple in design, and simpler as to decoration. The gold was thinly and sparingly applied, and it was real gold, and not bronze gold standing out in relief. Figure decorations are rarely found earlier than the middle period, and the range of colours in the flower schemes was very small.

Take an old ceremonial tea bowl—in the production of such the old Satsuma potter was at his best—and you will find that the paste, although apparently soft and porous, is really very tough and strong, and has taken little damage in its century or so of life. The glaze is soft and waxy in appearance, unobtrusive to the touch, full of minute cracks, and as clear as the apple of the day it left the kiln. No amount of use would make an old Satsuma bowl quite so dirty and antique-looking as a modern Kyoto fake.

Rekin, the great tea-master, revised the laws of the tea ceremonies away back in the sixteenth century, and it was laid down that the principal utensils, the tea bowl, should be simple, severe, and even archaic in form. The early Raku bowl fulfilled these conditions perfectly, and to the average Western eye there is no beauty in its ungainly shape, worked up by hand from a coarse clay thickly coated with red glaze.

The pottery of the early Satsuma fayencers soon found favour with the tea-tears, in spite of its possessing the disabilities of roughness and asymmetry. Having gone so far in contravention of the rules, it was easy enough to admit of a certain amount of decoration on the crummy surface of the old Satsuma. We can quite imagine the tea-masters imposing the utmost reticence in this direction; and, as a rule, we find but the simplest schemes steering a mid course between naturalness and convention.

Here we have a bowl of about 1830 make, recently picked up at a London curio dealer's, signed by the artist Chiu-Ju-Ko, whose name bespeaks him a Korean origin. A small peony branch, just a single pale red flower, finely outlined in gold, with a few leaves in vivid green enamel, known as tsumpan, and a tiny spray of something resembling Michaelmas daisy, with minute lavender florets dropped as if by accident below the peony; a narrow gold line is round the foot, and a broader one just below the edge of the rim.

Another Satsuma ceremonial bowl came to London some ten years ago. It is unsigned, but those who know say it was made about 1820. It is unusual, inasmuch as it is entirely covered on the outside with diaper work—four petals of black enamel filled in with gold, graduating in size with mathematical precision down the curved surface. It has the appearance and feel of a carefully executed piece of basket-work. Round the rim is a band of conventional chrysanthemum flowers in gold, and round the base a band of kirits (Pawlonia Imperialis) in enamel colours. Why did this bowl come to London?

A bowl with the gold chrysanthemum could be made for common use, as might also one with the pawlonia flower; but with its decorations combined it must have been made for the Imperial family. A few weeks ago one of the great potters of Japan took it down from its niche in the cabinet. He handled it lovingly. He did not say so, but he looked as if he wished to take it to its destined home in a certain palace in Old Japan.

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Extensive experiments with the process are already in progress at the salt works at Northwich, in Cheshire. It is claimed that the invention will enable the salt manufacturer to produce five or six times as much salt as is produced by the existing process. The main economy is effected by the utilization of waste steam and hot gases from one pan to pre-heat the brine in other pans. The plant consists of three covered and four uncovered pans, all heated from one fire, which is regulated by the Hodgkinson patent stoker, so as to secure automatically a uniform feed and constant temperature.

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From March 28th to April 3rd, 1911.

Days of Week.	Days of Month.	HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
		H'kong Mean Time.	Height.	H'kong Mean Time.	Height.
Tues.	28	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		8 38	4 9	2 13	1 1
		7 52	6 8	1 44	3 2
Wed.	27	8 52	5 2	2 44	1 0
		8 38	6 9	2 25	2 6
Thurs.	30	9 16	5 6	3 13	1 1
		9 23	6 9	3 41	2 1
Fri.	31	9 44	6 0	3 51	1 3
		10 9	6 6	3 46	1 6
Sat.	1	10 14	6 4	4 9	1 6
		10 58	6 1	4 51	1 3
Sun.	2	11 46	5 6	4 35	2 1
		11 51	5 4	5 24	1 2
Mon.	3	11 12	6 7	5 28	1 5

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.
Hongkong Observatory, March 27th.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.14	30.23	30.13
Temperature	67	66	64
Humidity	66	71	75
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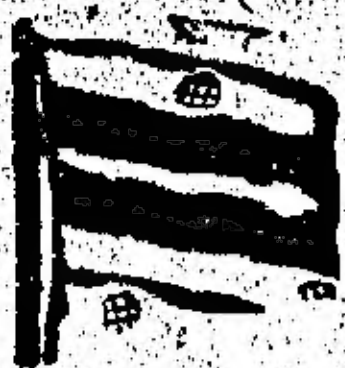
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Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1911.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG— SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	TONS.	SAILING DATES.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ and PORTSAID	HIRANO MARU Capt. H. Fraser	9,000	WEDNESDAY, 29th Mar., at Daylight
	TANGO MARU Capt. K. Kawana	8,000	WEDNESDAY, 12th April, at Daylight
	KAMO MARU Capt. F. L. Sommer	9,000	WEDNESDAY, 26th April, at Daylight
	SADO MARU Capt. J. Richards	7,000	SATURDAY, 25th April, from Kobe
VICTORIA B.O. & SEATTLE	INABA MARU Capt. Tomimaga	7,000	TUESDAY, 28th Mar., at Noon
HAIPHONG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, and YOKOHAMA	TAMBA MARU Capt. K. Noda	7,000	TUESDAY, 25th April, at Noon
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	NIRKO MARU Capt. M. Yagi	6,000	FRIDAY, 14th April, at Noon
SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE	KUMANO MARU Capt. M. Winkler	6,000	FRIDAY, 12th May, at Noon
	BINGO MARU Capt. S. J. G. Parsons	7,000	WEDNESDAY, 29th Mar., at Noon
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	AKI MARU Capt. K. Homma	6,000	THURSDAY, 30th Mar., at 4 P.M.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	CEYLON MARU Capt. Fred. Pyno	7,000	TUESDAY, 4th April, at Noon
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU Capt. M. Winkler	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 12th April, at Noon

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PASSENGER SEASON, 1911.

SAILINGS AND PASSAGE RATES FROM HONGKONG.

To MARSEILLES and LONDON via SUEZ CANAL.

Steamers.	Tons.	Leave H.K.	RATES OF PASSAGE.
HIRANO MARU	9000	29th Mar.	1st Class S 550.00
TANGO	8000	12th April	2nd Class S 325.00
KAMO	9000	26th April	2nd Class S 350.00
AKI	7000	10th May	2nd Class S 340.00
MISHIMA	7000	24th May	2nd Class S 350.00
KAGA	7000	7th June	2nd Class S 350.00

VICTORIA, B.O., & SEATTLE, WASH. U.S.A.

Steamers.	Tons.	Leave H.K.	RATES OF PASSAGE.
INABA MARU	7000	28th Mar.	To Pacific Coast Common Points: 1st Class S 230, 2nd Class S 221
TAMBA	7000	25th April	To London via New York: 1st Class S 260
AWA	7000	23rd May	To London via New York: 1st Class S 260
INABA	7000	20th June	To London via New York: 1st Class S 260

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PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS	TONS	SAILING DATES
MANCHURIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 8th April, at 5 P.M.
MONGOLIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 29th April, at 1 P.M.
KOREA	18,000	SATURDAY, 26th May, at 1 P.M.
SIBERIA	18,000	FRIDAY, 9th June, at 1 P.M.
MANCHURIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 24th June, at 1 P.M.
MONGOLIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 15th July, at 1 P.M.
KOREA	18,000	FRIDAY, 11th Aug., at 1 P.M.
SIBERIA	18,000	FRIDAY, 26th Aug., at 1 P.M.

* Twin Screws.

All Steamers are Equipped with Wireless Telegraphy.

THE P.M. S.S. "MANCHURIA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, 8th April, at 5 P.M.

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INTERMEDIATE SERVICE.

CHINA	10,200 Tons	FRIDAY, 31st March, at 1 P.M.
ASIA	9,500 Tons	FRIDAY, 21st April, at 1 P.M.
PERSIA	9,000 Tons	FRIDAY, 19th May, at 1 P.M.

THE S.S. "CHINA" will leave for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, 31st March, at 1 P.M.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STEAMER	TONS	CAPTAIN	DATE OF SAILING
CHIYO MARU	21,000	W. W. Greene	FRIDAY, April, 14th, 1 P.M.
AMERICA MARU	11,000	A. G. Stevens	FRIDAY, May 5th, 1 P.M.
TENYO MARU	21,000	E. Bent	FRIDAY, May 12th, 1 P.M.
NIPPON MARU	11,000	H. S. Smith	FRIDAY, June 2nd, 1 P.M.

All Steamers are equipped with the Japanese Government Wireless Telegraph and Post Offices. THE Triple Screw Steamer "CHIYO MARU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, 14th April, at 1 P.M.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STEAMER	TONS	CAPTAIN	DATE OF SAILING
BUYO MARU	10,500	K. Hashimoto	WEDNESDAY, April 19th, 1 P.M.
HONGKONG MARU	11,000	H. Hinokuma	SATURDAY, June 17th, 1 P.M.
KIYO MARU	17,500	H. Nishi	TUESDAY, Aug. 15th, 1 P.M.

THE Steamer "BUYO MARU" will be despatched for MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU, MANZANILLO, SALINA CRUZ, CALLAO, IQUIQUE, VALPARAISO and CORONEL on WEDNESDAY, 19th April, at 1 P.M.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TONS (Gross Reg.)	LEAVES.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"MEXICO MARU"	6,064	TUESDAY, 4th April, at Daylight
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"CHICAGO MARU"	6,182	WEDNESDAY, 19th April, at Daylight

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FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVES.
TAKAO and ANPING	"SHIBETORO MARU"	TUESDAY, 28th Mar., at 5 P.M.
FOOCHOW via SWATOW	"CHOSHUN MARU"	FRIDAY, 31st Mar., at 8 A.M.
CANTON	"SOSHU MARU"	FRIDAY, 31st Mar., at 8 A.M.
TAMSUI via SWATOW and AMOY	"DAIJIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 2nd April, at 10 A.M.

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The Delhi, with the English Mail, left Singapore on Saturday, the 25th inst., at 2.30 p.m. and may be expected here on or about Thursday, the 30th inst., at 6 a.m. This packet brings Parcel Mails closed in London for despatch by the all sea route on the 22nd February, and for despatch overland on the 29th of February.

FOR	PER	DATE
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Yokohama, Victoria B.C. and Seattle Wash.	Inaba Maru	Tuesday, 28th, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hachinohe	Tuesday, 28th, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Laisang	Tuesday, 28th, 10.00 A.M.
Tientsin	Chipsang	Tuesday, 28th, 10.00 A.M.
Hongkong	Quarta	Tuesday, 28th, 10.00 A.M.

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(Late Letters 11.00 A.M. to NOON Extra Postage 10 cents.)
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)

Macao	Sui Tai	Tuesday, 28th, 11.00 A.M.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	afong	Tuesday, 28th, 1.15 P.M.
Anping and Takao	Shikoro Maru	Tuesday, 28th, 4.00 P.M.

Fort Bayard and Haiphong	Touareg	Wednesday, 29th, 8.00 A.M.
Hoikow, Tourane and Quinhon	Holono	Wednesday, 29th, 8.00 A.M.
Fort Bayard and Haiphong	St. King	Wednesday, 29th, 9.00 A.M.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Moorlands	Wednesday, 29th, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow	Haimun	Wednesday, 29th, 1.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang, Colombo and Bombay	Forwards	Wednesday, 29th, 1.15 P.M.
Macao	Sui Tai	Thursday, 30th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	afong	Thursday, 30th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Anhui	Thursday, 30th, 4.00 P.M.
Jessellton, Kaitum and Sandakan	Borneo	Friday, 31st, 8.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hongkong	Friday, 31st, 10.00 A.M.
Haiphong	San, Kuang	Friday, 31st, 10.00 A.M.

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONGKONG AND SAN FRANCISCO (SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE)

Ningpo and Shanghai	Hupoh	Friday, 31st, 3.00 P.M.
Tientsin	Hachinohe	Friday, 31st, 3.00 P.M.
Chefoo and Newchwang	Nanohang	Friday, 31st, 3.00 P.M.

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Hongkong, 28th March, 1911.

COMMERCIAL

EXCHANGE
CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

ON LONDON	March 28th
Telegraphic Transfer	193
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SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	\$11.10
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per seal	\$37.70
SILVER, per oz.	24.4d

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Chinese	20 cents pieces	per cent.
Chinese	10	\$7.48
Hongkong	20	\$7.00
Hongkong	10	\$7.25

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, MARCH 27TH, 1911.

Stocks.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$880, buyers
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	\$7	26	\$80, buyers
China Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	12	\$11, sales
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	10	\$1
China Provident, Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	10	\$7, sales
COTTON MILLS.				
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 85
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$5, sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 48
Laon-Kung-Mow C. Spin. & Weav. Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 59
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 22
DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LIMITED	40,000	\$72	36	\$19
DOCK AND WHARVES.				
H'kong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$52, sellers
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	all	\$54, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$50	all	\$54, buyers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 65, sellers
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 94, buyers
FENWICK & CO., LIMITED	18,000	\$25	all	\$25
GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED	400,000	\$10	all	\$25.50, buyers
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	all	\$200
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$23, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	all	\$50
Manila Metropolitan Hotel	5,000	\$10	all	\$106, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	all	\$156, buyers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$17, sellers
H'kong & South China Steam Fisheries Co., Ltd.	15,000	\$10	all	\$7, sellers
INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$180, sales
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$120, sal. & bu.
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$43.33	\$25	\$120, buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$335
North China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$25	\$5	Tls. 152, buy.
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$842, buyers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$50	\$207
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.				
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	all	\$94
Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	all	\$63, sales
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	\$30	\$31, sellers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 99
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$46, buyers
MINING.				
Société Française des Charbons du Tonkin	16,000	Pos. 250	all	\$700
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1	all	\$2
PEAK TRAMWAYS CO., LIMITED	25,000	\$10	all	\$13
PHILIPPINE CO., LIMITED	75,000	\$10	all	\$9
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$103
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$20
Robinson Piano Co., Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$50
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$82, buyers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	all	\$19
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$29, sellers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000 pref.	\$25	all	60, bu. 1/20n
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,000,000	\$1	\$1	92/6
Star Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$23
South China Morning Post, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$12
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$25
STORES AND DISPENSARIES.				
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	all	\$10, buyers
Wm. Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	\$7	\$3, sellers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$3, sellers
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	\$7, sellers
Weissmann, Limited	3,000	\$10	\$10	\$12, buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,900 ordy.	\$10	\$4	\$10, sellers
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	100 fiders	\$10	\$10	\$300
RUBBER.				
Para Rubber in London				6/4 per lb.
LOANS.				
Chinese Imperial 1886	Amount	Value	Interest	Quotation.
	Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7% p. annum	Per.
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Chinese Imperial 1886	Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7% p. annum	Per.
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TO-DAY
12.15 P.M.—Eighty Ordinary Yearly Meeting of The China-Borneo Co. Ltd.
2.30 P.M.—Auction of Valuable Household Furniture at No. 2, The Peak (Quarnden), by Mr. Geo. P. Lamert.
TO-MORROW
2.45 P.M.—Auction of Valuable Household Furniture at No. 1, Magdalen Terrace, Magazine Gap, by Mr. Geo. P. Lamert.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.
Thursday, 30th March—Annual General Meeting of The Hongkong Rifle League at Volunteer Headquarters, 5.15 P.M.
Friday, 31st March—Fourth Ordinary General Meeting of The Phoenix Club Ltd., 6 P.M.
Saturday, 1st April—Annual Dinner of Oxford and Cambridge Dinner, at Hongkong Club, 7.45 P.M.
Monday, 3rd April—Extraordinary General Meeting of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., at Hongkong Hotel, 11.30 A.M.

Tuesday, 4th April—Extraordinary General Meeting of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Noon.
Thursday, 6th April—Bandmann Opera Co. at Theatre Royal—"The Ballan Princess," 9 P.M.
Wednesday, 26th April—Thirty-Eighth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., Noon.
Wednesday, 26th April—Forty-fifth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of China Traders Insurance Co., Ltd., 12.30 P.M.
Saturday, 24th June—Extraordinary General Meeting of the National Bank of China, Ltd., 12.30 P.M.

ON SALE.
BOUND VOLUMES of the HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS, January to June, 1910. With Index. Price \$7.50. On sale at the "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS" Office.

Hongkong, 10th June, 1910.

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